IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

BEAUMONT DIVISION

DWIGHT DAVID CORMIER §

VS. § CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:25-CV-252

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA §

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

Plaintiff Dwight David Cormier, proceeding *pro se*, filed this civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 against the United States of America. Plaintiff alleges his constitutional rights were violated in connection with a criminal proceeding in Harris County, Texas.

Discussion

When, as in this case, jurisdiction is not founded solely on diversity of citizenship, § 1391 provides that venue is proper only in the judicial district where the defendants reside or in which the claim arose. However, under 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a), for the convenience of parties and witnesses and in the interest of justice, a district court may transfer any civil action to any other district where it could have been brought. Such a transfer may be done *sua sponte* and is reviewable only for an abuse of discretion. *Mills v. Beech Aircraft Corp.*, 886 F.2d 758, 761 (5th Cir. 1989).

Harris County is located in the Houston Division of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas. The court has considered the circumstances and has determined that the interests of justice would be served by transferring the complaint to the district in which the claims arose. Therefore, this action will be transferred to the Southern District of Texas. It is accordingly

ORDERED that this civil rights action is **TRANSFERRED** to the Houston Division of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas.

SIGNED this 3rd day of June, 2025.

Zack Hawthorn

United States Magistrate Judge